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At the Court at Windſor, Auguſt 8, 1709.

PRESENT,

The Queen's moſt Excellent Majeſty in Council.

WHereas a Number of the Poor diſtreſſed Proteſtant Palatines are this Day ſet out for Cheſter in their way to Ireland, according to the following Rout; Her Majeſty, with the Advice of Her Privy-Council, is pleaſed to Order, That all Mayors, Juſtices of the Peace, and other Magiſtrates, be Aiding and Aſſiſting to them, ſo that they may be kindly Entertained, and civilly Uſed, in the ſeveral Places upon the Road.

Chriſ. Muſgrave.

Rout the Waggons are to keep.

From London to	Barnet	10 Miles.
	St. Albans	10
	Dunſtable	10
	Brickhill	7
	Foſter	13
	Daventry	10
	Coventry	14
	Colſhell	8
	Litchfeild	12
	Stone in Staffordſhire	10
	Nautwich	16
	Cheſter	14
		140 Miles.

Whitehall, Auguſt 3. By Order of the Right Honourable the Lords and others, her Majeſty's Commiſſioners for receiving and diſpoſing of the Mony to be collected for the Subſiſtance and Settlement of the poor Palatines; Notice is hereby given, That they having determined to ſend five hundred Families of the ſaid Palatines with their Goods to Ireland by way of Cheſter, they will allow Seven Shillings for the Carriage of every hundred weight to Cheſter; and will be ready every Day at their Committee, to contract with any Perſons that are willing to be employed in carrying the ſame.

Notice is hereby likewiſe given, That all Perſons concerned in collecting the Mony on the Brief for the relief of the ſaid Palatines, are hereby required to collect the ſame by a Book or Books, marked and ſigned by the Miniſter and Church-wardens of the reſpective Pariſhes; and to enter therein the Names of the Contributors, and the Sum by them ſeverally given in Words at length, at the time the ſame is given, and to caſt up on each Page of every Leaf the total Sum, and to Subſcribe the ſame on each Page with the Hand of the Miniſter, Church-wardens, or ſuch other principal Inhabitant as attends the ſaid Collection.

Notice is hereby alſo given, That for the encouraging of Perſons and Pariſhes to receive and imploy the Palatines during the time of Harveſt, or otherwiſe, Care ſhall be taken to provide a Fund for the Maintenance of ſuch of them as ſhall, by Sickneſs, or other Accidents, be rendred incapable of getting their Living by their Labour; and for the ſecuring ſuch Pariſhes as ſhall receive any of them, that they ſhall not become a Burthen or Charge to ſuch Pariſhes, by their being employed or ſettled there.

H. Bendyſh.

Oſtend, Auguſt 11. *N. S.* Monſieur Ravignan returned from Verſailles to our Army on the eighth Inſtant, with an Account, that the French King conſented to the Capitulation agreed upon for the Cittadel of Tournay, on Condition that there ſhould be a Ceſſation of Arms between the two Armies 'till the fifth of next Month, and that during ſuch Ceſſation the Negotiations for a General Peace might go on; but this was abſolutely refuſed, and the Attacks againſt the Cittadel were puſhed on with all imaginable Vigour, and the Fire from our Cannon and Mortars redoubled. After this he deſired twenty four Hours to go into the Cittadel, to conſult with the Commanders, and to give his final Anſwer, which was granted; and it is believed he hath the French King's Conſent to ſurrender that important Place on the Terms propoſed; and that Monſieur Voiſin, Secretary of War, who is now ſaid to be in Mareſchal Villars's Camp, hath ſome further Propoſitions to offer. Our Army hath lain theſe two Days within ſight of the Enemy, with the River Scarpe between them. The French have cut down part of the Wood of St. Amand, and laid the Trees croſs the Roads, to prevent our paſſing the Scarpe at that Town. Pontons, and all other things neceſſary, are ready for paſſing that River; but it is believed the French will retire to their Camp at Lens. The French are removing all the King's Ships from Dunkirk to Havre de Grace, and work Night and Day for that End.

Oſtend, Auguſt 15. *N. S.* The twenty four Hours deſired by Monſieur de Ravignan being expired, and no Anſwer received from him, our Attacks have been carried on againſt the Cittadel with extraordinary Vigour; and the Bombardment, as well as the Sap, is continued Night and Day. Lieutenant General Cadogan Commanded a conſiderable Detachment, in order to take the Fort of Marchiennes on the Scarpe, and force a Paſſage over that River; but the Marſhy Grounds round it, and the abundance of Water between the Fort and Pont a Rache, obliged him to abandon that Deſign. Yeſterday a general Council of War was held at Tournay, where the Duke of Marlborough, Prince Eugene, the Deputies of their High-Mightineſſes, and all the Generals, aſſiſted.

Oſtend, Auguſt 17. *N. S.* Letters from Liſle ſay, that Mareſchal Villars was on the twelfth and thirteenth Inſtant at Douay, attended by ſeveral Engineers, where he viſited the Fortifications, and gave the neceſſary Directions in caſe that Place ſhould happen to be Beſieged; and that on the thirteenth ſome Commiſſioners arrived at Valenciennes from Paris, with Orders to make an exact Inventory of all the Corn in the Monaſteries, and other private Hands in the City and Country adjacent, in order to tranſport it to the King's Magazines. On Friday the ninth Inſtant the Fair of Ipres being opened, ſome Soldiers of the Garriſon got together about eight at Night,

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